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SUBJECT: COMMENTS OF ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR

- 1. ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR TALEB-BENDIAB FOLLOWING BOUMEDIENE VISIT TO PEKING TOLD AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND AMBASSADORS HE WAS CONVINCED THERE WAS EXCELLENT CHANCE OF ACHEIVING AN "AMERICAN PEACE" IN MIDDLE EAST "LEAVING RUSSIANS OUT IN THE COLD" PROVIDED SECRETARY KISSINGER SUCCEEDED IN "GETTING THE ISRAELIS OFF GOLAN". HE SAID THE SYRIANS DO NOT LIKE OR TRUST RUSSIANS AND DO NOT WANT TO BE DEPENDENT ON THEM.
- 2. TALEB-BENDIAB SAID CHINESE BROUGHT UP SOVIET UNION WITH "EVERY SUBJECT DISCUSSED" IN BOUMEDIENE VISIT AND WANTED TO INSERT A DIG AT THEM IN SEVERAL PORTIONS OF COMMUNIQUE. BOUMEDIENE HOWEVER REFUSED TO TAKE SIDES PUBLICLY IN SINO-SOVIET DISPUTE. ALGERIANS WENT ALONG WITH CHINESE ON FIRST SUBSTANTIVE PARA OF COMMUNIQUE (WITH THEME REVOLUTION IS MAIN TREND IN WORLD TODAY) BUT, ACCORDING TO TALEB, REST OF COMMUNIQUE WAS ALMOST ENTIRELY ALGERIAN DRAFT.

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3. ALTHOUGH BANGLADESH NOT DISCUSSED AT MEETING TALEB

ATTENDED (THERE WAS AT LEAST ONE WITH ONLY BOUMEDIENE, CHOU AND INTERPRETER) HE WAS CONVINCED CHINESE WOULD RECOGNIZE BANGLADESH AFTER THE TRIPARTITITE MEETING NEXT MONTH. SINCE AUSTRALIAN HAD BEEN TOLD JUST BEFORE BOUMEDIENE VISIT BY CHIAO KUAN-HUA AND NEW ZEALANDER BY LIN PING THAT THIS WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE THE CASE EVEN AFTER RETURN OF PRISONERS, THEY PRESSED TALEB WHO STOOD BY HIS CONVICTION.

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